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Centre Street at Elm, Oil City, Pa.



We deliver your purchases on the Parcel Post FREE!

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The Clearance of Whittall Rugs is Breaking Every Previous Record.

We're selling more rugs than we ever did before at a similar sale, and we can tell you why.

Oil City people are becoming constantly better posted as to the relative value of rugs. As the customer's knowledge increases, he or she invariably comes to recognize Whittall Rugs to be far and away the finest made in America—you never yet saw a Whittall dealer who didn't welcome the most painstaking comparisons.

Now you are offered the opportunity to get these splendid rugs, here and here only in Oil City, at mill prices.

Moreover, the advance in rug prices for spring has been so marked, that the like of these values and savings will never be offered you again.

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\$34.64

If all the money in circulation in the United States were divided equally, each person would have the above amount. Most of our depositors have much more. Why not start an account?

Oil City Trust Company

Oil City, Pa.

Get Twice As Much For Your Hides and Furs

We buy cattle hides, furs and calfskins. It is no longer necessary for farmers and small dealers in hides and furs to give away their wares by selling to peddlers or shipping to some large city firm, who will send about half what their hides are worth.

Just send at once for our price list and circulars. Get on our mailing list. We will keep you POSTED. We will show you how you may ship us your hides and furs right here to Corry, CLOSE TO HOME, and be sure you get the FULL VALUE of the goods or have them returned WITHOUT EXPENSE TO YOU.

For we hold ALL SHIPMENTS SEPARATE until we know whether or not the shipper is satisfied. Any time we don't send you what you think a shipment is worth we will return it promptly and pay all charges BOTH WAYS. So you gain these advantages by selling in Corry:

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2. Quicker Returns.
3. Fair Dealing.
4. Your Goods Returned Without Expense If Not Satisfied.

WE HAVE NO BUYERS. To deal with us you must ship direct. Any one claiming to travel out of Corry buying hides and to represent us is a FRAUD. DON'T SELL TO HIM. You must ship DIRECT to get FULL value. Write today for particulars. GET POSTED. Costs you NOTHING.

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We Have The Finest Fur House In The World. Give Us A Call When In Corry And Let Us Show You Through Our Fine New Building Just Built.



Prescription lens grinders for the eyes, plus Collegiate trained and internationally endorsed



Behind the Guns. NO DROPS. RESULTS DEFINITE. Artificial Eyes in Stock.

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Washburn's Colic, Cholera and Typhoid. Buy it now. It may save life.

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PITTSBURGH BANK FOR SAVINGS

4th Ave. and Smithfield St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE IN THIS PAPER

SQUEAKLESS CORKS.

Mr. Lushmore Insists That They Are a Demand of the Age.

"It beats all," said Mr. Lushmore of the Brooklyn Park Slope, "how far you can hear the squeak of a cork." "Now, my den is the rear chamber on the second floor. In the little cupboard I keep my cigars and a bottle of whiskey. I rather like whiskey, but I don't care much for the barroom society.

"My wife is pleased with my aversion for barrooms, but she would be better pleased if I never took a drink of my favorite beverage. Occasionally I come in on a stormy evening after she has gone to sleep. She hears nothing until just before I am ready to turn off the gas, when she wakes up with a start. She has heard the squeak, but she makes allowance for the weather, turns over and goes to sleep.

"When I come home in the afternoon she is usually in the dining room seeing about the dinner. Pretty soon there is a whistle from the peaking tube and her voice comes up:

"Hey, there! You'd better not acknowledge that bottle on an empty stomach."

"She has heard the peculiar sound. Again she may be out in the backyard seeing if the crows are showing signs of life. I hardly reach my den before I hear from the yard:

"Hoo-hoo! Can't you come out and speak to your wife first?"

"I maintain that one of the pressing demands of the age is for a squeakless cork."—New York Sun.

Took Her at Her Word.

A woman came into the general store with a jar of butter. She desired to exchange it for another jar of butter. In churning her butter she had discovered a mouse in the churn.

"It didn't injure the butter," she said to the store keeper, "and to any one who did not know the circumstance it would taste all right!"

Taking the woman at her word, the merchant carried her jar into the back room, transferred her butter to another jar, and the gratified customer took back her mouse butter with a thousand thanks for the accommodation.

There is a great deal of needless trouble in the world on account of squeamish sentiment. — Milwaukee Journal.

The Dry Cigarette.

If you wish to smoke a cigarette properly and with no unpleasant outward effect, if you wish to avoid the sticking of the cigarette paper to the lips, you have but to learn the method of the Spaniard, who taught this writer to roll and smoke cigarettes. It is a mere turn of the lips. The ordinary English smoker has a watery end to his cigarette. The Spaniard turns his lips and the cigarette never touches the mucous membrane. That is the way to smoke a cigarette and this writer can recommend the practice of cultivating the dry cigarette.—London Chronicle.

Library at Hamilton.

The library at Hamilton College has recently received a valuable addition in the form of a rare collection of volumes on mathematics and science. The gift was made by Senator Elihu Root, of the class of 1864, who has previously by liberal gifts enriched the college and increased its facilities. The collection is one of the most complete of its kind, and was the property of the late Oren Root, who was for many years at the head of the department of mathematics at Hamilton. Included in this accession is one of the most complete astronomical libraries ever collected, together with many extensive series on scientific and historical matters.

College Community House.

Tenney hall, a community house, has been opened at Smith College. The object of this house is to help the poorer students by reducing their living expenses to the least possible amount. The students are housed and fed after the principles of a collegiate community. All expenses will be shared by the occupants of the hall, who will contribute just enough per capita to run the establishment. Each girl or group of girls in turn will be called on to do the housework and cooking so that the cost of servants may be avoided. The entire system will be under the supervision of the president of the college.

"The Club."

An exclusive dining society is the one bearing the arrogant title "The Club," which since its foundation has been limited to thirty-five members. Johnson, Burke, Reynolds and Goldsmith were among the original members. Garrick and Boswell joined in 1773, and Gibbon and Fox in 1774. Of the eighteen Premiers in the nineteenth century nine were members of the Club. Fox, Liverpool, Canning, Russell, Aberdeen, Gladstone, Salisbury, Lord Rosebery and Mr. Balfour.—London Chronicle.

Out-Naturing Nature.

What modest rabbit, once it has evolved into a muff, contents itself nowadays, with a solitary tail? Its own and three or four alien productions are required to give cachet to the creation. When the head of the beast is too large for decoration it is customary to out-nature nature and invent one.—London Graphic.

In 1898 the total number of railroad employees in this country was 874,558. Last year the total was 1,451,000.

Church Has Nursery.

In order that mothers with babies might be able to attend church, and not be troubled with the infants, a nursery has been established by the First Methodist church at Vancouver, Wash. A room in the basement is used, and is equipped with toys for the amusement of the children.

Bull Might Object.

The person who advises you to take the bull by the horns never seems to be considering what the bull might be doing in the meantime.

EMPIRE STATE OF THE SOUTH.

Texas Has a Fair Chance to Pass Ohio, Illinois and Pennsylvania.

What July 4, 1776, is to the United States in general March 2, 1836, is to Texas. On that day Texas, which was part of Mexico, but which, peopled chiefly by Americans, was as alien to that country in ideas and aspirations as it was in language, declared its independence. And the announcement was quickly put into concrete shape.

When Texas became a State it had only about 150,000 population, and in the census of 1850, the first in which it figured it ranked as the twenty-fifth in number of inhabitants. In 1910 it had 3,896,000 people and ranked as the fifth State and grew 47 per cent. in the decade. It promises to be the fourth State in 1920, displacing Ohio, which holds but rank now and which has held it for many years. By 1930 it will, from the recent relative rates of gain, run very close to Illinois, which is the third State and may become the second State by 1940, Pennsylvania holding that rank now and for many decades. By 1960 it promises to outstrip New York and become the Empire State of a republic which by that time may have 200,000,000 of people.—Leslie's Weekly.

A Strange Sea Fish.

The angler, or fishing frog, of which a specimen has just been captured near Bridgton, though nowhere common, seems more generally distributed around our coasts than some authorities suppose. The angler is so called from the curious "rod and bait" formed by a modification of a ray of the front dorsal fin, which was formerly fancied to attract small fish but the entire hideous body is a marvelous mimetic adaptation of the bottom of the sea, upon which the creature walks, using the pectoral fins for feet. This marine ogre has little value, except for museums; but the gill is used by Irish washerwomen to bleach linen, and in Iceland it is utilized for the manufacture of soap.

A Hoosier Musician.

Rogers's Goshen Band, a musical organization nearly half a century old, has brevetted a big St. Bernard dog as drum major. The dog first attracted attention one day when the band was marching to a park. It broke away from the small boy that was leading it, and took its position at the head of the band. It climbed into the band pavilion at the park and lay outside the double circle of musicians. When the band began to play a selection it at once strode to the center of the circle and gravely sat up and took notice. The dog's tail beats time to the music now, and the animal manages to keep perfect time when marching.—Goshen correspondence Indianapolis News.

Ban on Children.

The fact that it is almost impossible for married couples with children to find steady employment on farms and stations in New South Wales and other parts of Australia is creating a public stir, which is almost assuming the dimensions of a national scandal. It is a common thing, it appears, for a man and wife to be dismissed if a child is born to them. It is said that the employer is often willing to retain such a couple, but that his wife insists on their dismissal, refusing to have an encumbrance about the house.

A Cat's Ninety Mile Walk.

About two months ago a cat belonging to J. Love of Wycombe March was missed. The owner surmised that the animal had been stolen or had strayed away, but recently a communication was received from some friends to the effect that the cat had returned to its old home at St. Neots, Huntingdonshire, a distance of about ninety miles.—London Evening Standard.

Eager for an Education.

A Poltava, south Russia, paper recently published an advertisement from a Jew who offered to pay the fees at a local gymnasium of three Christian children. The reason for the offer is obvious. By the admission of the three Christians an extra place, under the percentage norm, would be provided for a Jew, and the advertiser hoped by this desperate means to secure the admission of his son.—Jewish Chronicle.

A Memorial Boulder.

The patriotic societies keep industriously on with their unweavings of patriotic objects. This time it is a memorial boulder, which the Washington Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution unveiled on the redoubt at Fort Washington Park, on Riverside Drive, below 181st street, New York City. The ceremony was in celebration of the anniversary of the battle of Fort Washington.

The First Gentleman of Europe.

Lord Rosebery has expressed the wonder and admiration that Englishmen share with Austrians and Hungarians for Francis Joseph as a person and a Sovereign, the "first gentleman" as well as the most remarkable monarch in Europe.—London Saturday Review.

Deterioration of the Fox.

Has the fox deteriorated in recent years? Authorities differ in their opinions. My own is that he has not the stamina, and often not the constitution or the bone of the species fifty or sixty years ago.—County Gentleman.

Acquired Significance.

"You disapprove of my theory," said the excited agitator. "Therefore you refuse to attach any importance to it." "Of course," replied Senator Sorghum, "why should I? The only importance most unimportant theories have is that thoughtless people rush in and attach to them."

News to Her.

"New York Bank Returns," read an old lady. "And I never knew that one of them had been missing," she remarked.—Punch.

Suits to Order, \$12.50 to \$35.00.



Shirts to Order, \$2.00 to \$12.00.

It's In the Blood

To be part of Oil City's enterprise. To be part of Oil City's progress. To be part of Oil City's population.

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To be living in this grand little city and doing what we can to promote the city's interest is one of our cherished ambitions. We firmly believe that when there are one hundred thousand people in this enterprising burg

Clothing will be worn by three-fourths of the male population. We intend to grow. We intend to keep our "plant" healthy and free from the germs of indifference. We want to know the public at large. We want the public to know us.

We want to have public confidence on our side forever. We want to serve the public intelligently, courteously, and at all times honestly.

We want it known that our idea of permanent healthy growth is to forever give the best values we know of. We believe, as clothiers and dressers of men, we should devote our time and our money to that purpose.

Hence it is we will never "mix in politics" nor try to tell public officials how to run their business.

"A Good Store to Trade At."



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A PARADOX.



"A boy always brags of what he will do when he's a man." "And when he becomes a man he always boasts of what he did when he was a boy."

PLAN A PERPETUAL CALENDAR

All Nations to Unite in Working Out an Idea Long in Minds of Many.

A conference of all nations will be held next summer at Geneva, Switzerland, to discuss suggestions for an international perpetual calendar. At that time Leroy S. Boyd will present his calendar, which has 13 months of 28 days each, making a total of 364 days in the year. The 365th day is not included in any month, but will precede the first day of January and will be called New Year's day. A similar arrangement is made for leap years. The 366th day is not counted in any month, but follows the last day of December and is called Leap Year day. The additional month is called Solaris, and comes between June and July. As an illustration, the year 1916 is used, because, according to the present calendar the first day of that year will begin on Saturday, which would become New Year's day under the perpetual calendar. That would make the following day, Sunday, be known as Jan. 1, 1916. Every month would have the same number of days and every month and every week would begin on Sunday and end on Saturday. That would make the same date in each month fall on the same day of the week. Such a perpetual calendar would make it unnecessary to have a printed calendar for every month, because the days of each month are identical with those of the first month. One of the benefits expected to result from a perpetual calendar is that it will facilitate business calculations. Under the new system a month will mean exactly 28 days and not 30 or 31 days, as at present.

AGE OF ICEBERGS UNKNOWN

One of the Mysteries of the Sea There is Little Probability of Being Solved.

The age of an iceberg is problematic. The berg that sank the Titanic may have been forming on the coast of Greenland when Columbus crossed the sea, or even before that. Then again it may have been reared by the elements since Peary's first expedition to the pole, but probably it antedated steamships by many years. In 1841, a great berg appeared off St. John's, N. F. Its pinnacle was fully 100 feet above the sea, and its base formed a glittering island in the middle of which, imbedded between two hills of ice, were two ships side by side. The masts were gone, but otherwise the upper works seemed to be intact. Scattered about the decks were various objects that might have been the frozen bodies of the crews. All were covered with snow. Several old sailors approached the berg as near as they dared to and scanned the ships through powerful glasses, but could not see any name or anything to indicate their nationality or business on the seas. There were no signs of life aboard them—nothing but the motionless masses under their white coverings. They were believed to be part of Sir John Franklin's expedition, and were seen at the mouth of the harbor almost stationary for several days. Then one morning the berg was gone, and the ultimate fate of the derelicts it carried is still one of the mysteries of the sea.

Finance Has No Boundaries. Finance nowadays is limited by no national boundaries. American newspapers contain advertisements of a "City of Tokio (Japan) Loan" for the purchase of that city of electric trams and electric lighting systems. The loan, amounting to about \$45,000,000, is apportioned between New York, London and Paris.

Explaining an Oversight. "George," she said sweetly, "didn't you know that Lent is over?" "Of course I did," he replied. "Then possibly you didn't pass a candy store on your way here to-night."—Detroit Free Press.

Doubly Blessed. The mother of little Helen was one of twins. As the twin sisters lived quite a way apart, Helen did not see her aunt until she was about two years old. On first seeing her she was greatly puzzled over the resemblance of her mother and aunt, and after looking bewilderedly from one to the other finally exclaimed, "More mamma."

His Point of Anxiety. Son-in-law (superintending mother-in-law's funeral)—I suppose—ar—you've dug it deep enough?—By-stander.

NOT EQUAL TO TEST



"How did she enjoy her honeymoon?" "Very poorly—his love was like his auto—it wouldn't stand a thousand-mile test."

GLAD OF THE CHANCE



Henderson—A man advertised in the paper yesterday for a wife. Henpeck—He can have mine dead cheap.

GRAVE CAUSE FOR DISPUTE

Romanticists and Others Have Opportunity to Squabble Over This Happening.

The Winans will have upset the theory of the cynics that romance is dead in the world. Here is an innkeeper's daughter who receives a fortune of \$500,000 just for being kind to an old man. In all her dreams of the future she never thought of being able to present to the Prince Charming that would eventually come along such a princely dowry. She went about her work delivering the milk and cream from her father's dairy, little thinking that the old gentleman, who year after year was her father's guest, was all along planning to make her a rich heiress. The picture is idyllic. Unfortunately, some of the rightful heirs of the deceased multimillionaire fail to see the poetry of it and have already given notice of a contest. There is a son who has been cut off with a paltry \$200,000 and there are two grandchildren who have been entirely forgotten. In the case of the son the will is particularly significant, since the relative smallness of the amount can be traced to the father's disapproval of a marriage that was wholly romantic. The cynics may still claim that their contention is supported by the courts.

Artist Regains Drawings.

M. Lucas, the French artist whose paintings when bought by M. Quittner and signed by him, won their new owner honors at the salons where the original painter failed even to get them accepted, has succeeded in regaining 29 of the pictures.